

Saint James United Church

November 18, 2018 26th Sunday in Pentecost

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Welcome!

Welcome all visitors and their families who may be worshipping with us this morning. We pray that you will feel at home here at Saint James and that you will feel the presence of God's Holy Spirit, as we worship. After the service please introduce yourself to Bev Sharpe, sign our guest book at the back of the sanctuary and join us for coffee, tea and fellowship in the Board Room.

WE GATHER

Prelude

Introit # 13 MV O Let The Power Fall on Me

Welcome

Call to Worship (responsively)

Leader: We come, like Abraham, Sarah and John the Baptist.

All: people with vision.

Leader: We come like Job, Thomas, and the Samaritan woman,

All: people with questions.

Leader: We come like Moses, Jeremiah, and Mary,

All: People with self doubts.

Leader: We come like David, Mary Magdalene, and Paul,

All: people with regrets.

Leader: We come like Hagar, Uriah, and the Syrophenician woman,

All: people with wisdom from the margins.

Leader: We come like Rebekah, and Samuel, like Hosea, and Esther, like Nathaniel and Martha, like John, Mark and Priscilla.

All: people with a part to play in the story of faith.

DATES TO REMEMBER

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| Nov.18 | Morning Worship | 10:30 a.m. |
| | Presider: Bev Sharpe | |
| | Coffee, Tea and Fellowship | |
| | Sunshine Singers and Handbells | |
| Nov,19 | Alzheimer Society Support Group | 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. |
| Nov20 | Games | 1:00 p.m. |
| | Pathfinders, Rangers & Sparks | 6:30 p.m. |
| | Committee Meetings | 7:00 p.m. |
| | Official Board | 8:00 p.m. |
| Nov.21 | Quilting | 1:00 p.m. |
| | Search Committee Meeting | 7:00 p.m. |
| | Choir | 7:15 p.m. |
| | Cantata Practice | 7:45 p.m. |
| Nov.22 | Last Presbytery Meeting in Nashwaaksis | |
| Nov. 24 | UCW Coffee Party and Craft Sale | 10:00 a.m. |
| Nov.25 | Morning Worship | 9:30 a.m. |
| | Presider: Heather Donnelly | |
| | Sunday School | |
| | Coffee and Fellowship after the service. | |
| | Sunshine Singers and Handbells | |

SCENT FREE ENVIRONMENT: A few of our congregation members have been experiencing problems due to perfumes in the church. We have tried to maintain a Scent Free Environment within Saint James United Church. We would like to remind everyone to please consider this request and refrain from wearing perfumes.

DONATIONS

A donation has been made to the General Fund in loving memory of Ivan Hayden by Phyllis Robinson, Woodstock Y's Men Club,

A donation has been made to the Roof Fund Project in loving memory of Vivian Cummings by the Cummings Family.

If you have noticed someone missing from our congregation,
please contact them by phone or visit them in person.

You may be their "angel."

COMMUNICATION *We are working on letting everyone know the up and coming events of the church. I would appreciate having your email address as each week I send out a message called "Keeping In Touch."*

Opening Prayer

God of the poor and unprotected, who's love is fierce, whose righteousness burns brighter than the brightest fire, fill our hearts with holy indignation when peace by way of justice is denied. Grant us the courage to follow Christ, wherever that may lead, for yours is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, in time and for eternity. Amen

Hymn: # 365 VU Jesus Loves Me

Children's Time

Prayer of Confession (together)

forgive them all, O Lord:

our sins of omission and our sins of commission;
the sins of our youth and the sins of our riper years;
the sins of our souls and the sins of our bodies;
our secret and our more open sins;
our sins of ignorance and surprise;
the sins we have forgotten;
the sins we know and remember.

Forgive them O Lord, forgive them all for his sake, who died for our sins and rose for our justification and who now stands at your right hand to make intercession for us. Jesus Christ our Saviour. Amen. (Adapted from a prayer of John Wesley)

Words of Assurance

WE LISTEN FOR THE WORD OF GOD

Musical Guests: "Wood ' n Nichols"

Prayer of Illumination

Scripture

1 Samuel 1: 4 – 20

1 Samuel 2: 1 – 10 (VU p.878)

Hebrew 10: 11-14 (15-18) 19-25

Mark 13: 1 - 8

Reflection

Hymn # 644 VU "I Was There To Hear Your Borning Cry"

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD OF GOD

Presentation of the Offering

Offertory *What can I do? What can I bring?
What can I say? What can I sing?
I'll sing with joy. I'll say a prayer.
I'll bring my love. I'll do my share.*

Offertory prayer

Offertory Prayer (together)

Loving God, as we come here today with our tithes and offerings we ask that you accept them and use them to feed the hungry, clothe the needy and help us to use these offerings for this community and beyond. Amen

Minute for Mission

Announcements

Prayers of the People

Hymn # 556 VU Would You Bless Our Homes and Families

Closing Prayer (together)

Lord our God, accept the prayers of your people. In your great mercy, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help, for you are gracious, O lover of souls. To you we give glory, O blessed Trinity, now and forever. Amen

Choral Benediction Go Now in Peace

Go now in peace, never be afraid.
God will go with you each hour of every day.
Go now in faith, steadfast, strong and true.
Know God will guide you in all you do.
Go now in love and show you believe.
Reach out to others so all the world can see.
God will be there watching from above.
Go now in peace, in faith, and in love.
Amen. Amen. Amen.

Postlude

Lectionary Scriptures for November 25, 2018

2 Samuel 23: 1 - 12

Psalms 132: 1 - 12

Revelations 1: 4b -8

John 18: 33 - 37

ADVENT DECORATING

Looking for volunteers to help with the decorating of the area outside the church office, as well as the Angel Display.

We also need a group to set up our Outside Nativity Set.

*We would like to have the decorating done the Week of Nov. 26th just before the first Sunday of Advent.
Please let Mary know, if you are available.*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ST. GERTRUDES ANNUAL MEMORIAL SERVICE

November 18, 2018 2:00 p.m.

The St Gertrude's Bereavement Ministry invites you to attend the upcoming Memorial Service to be held at St Gertrude's Church. If you have a loved one that you would like to have remembered in this service, please contact Sharon Tenhave at shtenhav@hotmail.com or 375-6800. The Memorial Service consists of Music, Prayer, Scripture, Reflection, and reading of the names of the deceased and lighting a candle to remember the loved one(s). We invite you to bring a photo or memento of your loved one and place next to the candle on the Memorial Table. Immediately after the Service, light refreshments will be served in the Vestry.

CARLETON MANOR

A volunteer need here at Carleton Manor. One of our Activity staff would like to have someone available once a week to play the piano in one of our lounges for the few neighbours who might be gathered there. The time could be flexible but around 1 to 2 pm any one day would be good. This is a very casual time and we understand if some week the person would not be available. If someone might be open to this they could contact Carolyn Brown at 325-4554.

GOSPEL CONCERT

*A fundraising concert for Woodstock Wesleyan's 2019 Haiti Mission Team Saturday, November 24th at 7:00 p.m.
Music by Wyatt Morrell and Friends. By Donation.*

21ST FESTIVAL OF TREES hosted by

*Big Brothers, Big Sisters of Carleton-York AYR Motor Centre
Fri. Nov 23 (12 - 9:00 p.m. & Sat. Nov. 24 11 -5:00 p.m.
Contact 328-2094 for further information.*

ATTENTION PHOTOGRAPHERS: *Please check the bulletin board. There is a brochure and entry forms to submit Cover Photos for the Church Calendar, (Deadline Dec. 30, 2018) Would love to see some of your photos on these church covers and calendar.*

COMMITTEE MEETINGS AND OFFICAL BOARD

Tuesday, Nov. 20th

SEARCH COMMITTEE

The Search Committee will be meeting at the church Wednesday November 21st at 7:00 pm. Anyone wishing to join us is welcome to attend.

U.C.W. CHRISTMAS CRAFT AND COFFEE PARTY

Saturday, November 24th, 2018 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon.

Come and enjoy Coffee, Tea and Fellowship. Enjoy a morning of preparing for Christmas with the variety of gifts available—

Home baking, crafts and a table of treasures.

Admission \$ 2.00 Tickets from the ladies of the U.C.W., the Church Office., or at the door.

Anyone in the congregation who would like to donate cooking, crafts or attic treasures, it would be very much appreciated.

ROOF PROJECT 2018 *We have reached The Roof Project goal of \$50,000.00 and want to thank all those who have contributed to our project. We are still waiting bills to come to give us a final total of costs. We will have an up-to-date report, as soon as possible.*

ANNUAL REPORTS

We have committee meetings and our Official Board meeting on Tuesday, Nov. 20th. Just one more meeting in December for the Committees then it is annual report time.

COMMITTEES FOR 2019

It may seem early but we need to think about our committees for the up coming year. If you are not presently on a committee and would like to be, just leave you name at the church office and you will be contacted.

BUDGET REQUESTS FOR 2019

*The Board of Stewards will be working on the budget for 2019 and committees are asked to submit proposals by **December 1, 2018.***

FINAL MEETING OF PRESBYTERY

Nashwaaksis United Church, November 22, 2018 11:00 P.M.

ALZHEIMER SOCIETY SUPPORT GROUP

This support group meets at Saint James the 3rd Monday of each month. The next meeting will be from 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. on **November 19, 2018**. All those who are care givers may like to mark this on your calendars. Please call the church office to confirm meetings over the summer, as sometimes there are changes.

TRANSFER OF MEMBERSHIP.

Anyone desiring to transfer their membership to St. James United Church from:

- 1) another United Church congregation needs to acquire a certificate of transfer of membership from their previous United Church
- 2) another denomination (ie: Roman Catholic, Anglican, Presbyterian, Lutheran) needs to clearly assure they have been baptized and confirmed;
- 3) as in the case of churches like Baptist, or Pentecostal with adult baptism only (based on profession of faith) requires a certificate of baptism.

Adherent: a person who contributes regularly to the life and work of a congregation but is not a full member. (Many people establish long-standing, committed relationships with congregations without formally becoming “full members”. These people are often valued participants in the life of congregations as “adherents”).

Please contact a member of Session for more information.

CALENDARS

Our church calendars for 2019 have arrived. **COST \$5.00**

UPPER ROOMS FOR NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER

are at back of church. **Cost \$ 3.00**

GIFTS WITH VISION BOOKS have arrived. Located on table outside the church office.

ECUMENICAL SERVICE OF ADVENT Ecumenical Service of Advent Lessons and Carols, Dec. 2, 2018, at 7 pm, St. Luke's Anglican Church. This year St. Luke's is hosting the annual Ecumenical Service of Advent Lessons and Carols. The church choirs are invited to robe and form a combined choir. Choir members will meet at St. Luke's at 6 pm for a rehearsal prior to the service. Everyone is welcome for a time of singing, Scripture readings, prayers, and refreshments to follow at the back of the church nave, as we prepare our hearts for the coming of Christ our Saviour!

SALVATION ARMY CHRISTMAS KETTLE CAMPAIGN

The Salvation Army look after emergency help for our area residents – Power Bills, Rent, Medicine, etc. and their Annual Kettle Campaign Fund this outreach. 100% of the money collected stays in our area.

We are looking for someone who would coordinate Volunteers from our church to man the kettles for a few days. Please contact Mary, if you are interested in doing this.

UNITED CHURCH OBSERVER Time to look at renewal of you United Church Observer. If you do not wish to renew, please let Mary know at the church office or if your are a new subscriber, we can add your name for a subscription for the up coming year. Cost is \$ 25.00.

ANGEL PROJECT Last year we decorated the hall outside the Church office with Angels in memory of loved ones. Please bring your Angel in if you did not leave it here last year and we will place them in memory with a place card naming your loved one. Anyone who would like to take part this year please bring the information and angel into the office.